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For: TAMPON FOR FEMININE HYGIENE AND PROCESS AND
APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2009 issued in connection with the above referenced patent application.

The Examiner has implemented a restriction under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372. Applicant is required to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group 1, claims 1-25, drawn to a tampon.

Group 2, claims 26-47, drawn to a process of making a tampon.

Group 3, claims 48-64, drawn to an apparatus used to make a tampon.

The applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the invention recited in Group 1, claims 1-25, drawn to a tampon for further prosecution in this application

In the event that any fees are due for entry of the present response the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 10-0750/J&J5008/JPB.

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